

Dear friends -

It is with no common pleasure
that ~~it is in compliance with the directions of~~
the ~~Ladies~~ members of the Boston Ladies Peace
Society & I am directed to address you
in behalf of the Boston Ladies Peace
Society - and it is with no common ^{pleasure} ~~pleasure~~
that I ~~can~~ perform this duty - we should
have claimed your interest & sympathy at
an earlier period, but circumstances have
delayed this communication until now -
permit us now to assure you of the interest
we feel in the great cause which you have
espoused - of our earnest desire that
~~the peace~~ - Men may learn from no more
& that the peace which passeth unchallenged
standing away - every where compose
the stormy passions which have hitherto
to the convulsion ~~the~~ Society -

We sympathize with you in your
benevolent ~~xxxxx~~ ^{entire} for the promotion of
the cause of peace - and we rejoice
in the ~~universal~~ ^{philanthropic} ~~kind~~ ^{kindness} whose love embraces the
whole human race ~~we~~ we feel with
you that our exertions should tend to
promote individual - domestic
national & universal peace -

We are convinced that we may do much
in this cause ~~by~~ ~~if we can~~ ~~offer~~ if we
keep constantly before our eyes the examples

& precept which should govern all our opera-
tion. ~~If we~~ ^{let us} remember - that ~~it is~~ ^{the} divine
~~truth~~ ^{wisdom} ~~that~~ ^{has found} ~~that~~ ^{truth} ~~that~~ ^{is} ~~that~~ ^{that} such is slow to anger is
better than the mighty & he that subdues
his spirit than he that taketh a city -
~~that we are~~ ~~convinced~~ ~~to~~ ~~possess~~ ~~our~~
~~salts~~ ~~in~~ ~~patience~~ ~~that~~ ~~we~~ ~~and~~ ~~we~~ ~~cannot~~
doubt the importance of establishing in our own
hearts & in the minds of those ^{among} ~~whom~~ we
may be able to influence the peaceful
spirit which breathes through the life of our
Father of our Lord. - ~~we~~ ~~shall~~ ~~thus~~ ~~ensure~~
~~that~~ ~~domestic~~ ~~peace~~ - ~~which~~ ~~is~~ ~~the~~ ~~strength~~
~~&~~ ~~security~~ ~~which~~ ~~is~~ ~~the~~ ~~basis~~ ~~we~~ ~~believe~~
that our efforts may ~~be~~ ^{be} avail something
to give "a discordant & sorrow-stricken
world" - ~~and~~ ~~we~~ ~~hope~~ ~~that~~ ~~we~~
may be instrumental in ~~the~~ ^{the} promul-
gating the ^{the} ~~truths~~ ^{truths} - with which we have
begun to make ourselves acquainted
and ~~that~~ ~~some~~ ~~of~~ ~~us~~ ~~may~~ ~~see~~ ~~the~~
~~truth~~ ~~with~~ ~~our~~ ~~own~~ ~~eyes~~ ~~the~~ ~~time~~ ~~may~~
~~soon~~ ~~arrive~~ ~~when~~ - Men no longer
overcome of evil shall overcome
evil with good - ~~when~~ ~~the~~ ~~prevalence~~ ~~of~~
~~the~~ ~~church~~ ~~that~~ ~~thrusts~~ ~~an~~ ~~evil~~
~~&~~ ~~is~~ ~~not~~ ~~clearly~~ ~~provoked~~ ~~shall~~ ~~be~~ ~~down~~
the barriers with which pride - hatred would
separate those who claim kindred with
one another as the children of a common
Father -

Our Society has been in operation more
than a year - ~~I~~ ~~enclose~~ ~~you~~ ~~a~~ ~~copy~~ ~~of~~ ~~its~~ ~~con-~~
~~stitution~~ ^{It} ~~its~~ ~~members~~ ~~have~~ ~~been~~ ~~gradually~~
increasing - but we have done less than

we hope to be able to do in future
we have had frequent meetings during
the past year & ~~now~~ we have much
interesting conversation -

We have read & circulated many of
the valuable publications of the A-
peal Society - ~~I trust that the Testimo-~~
~~ny we bear against war & we are~~
~~now~~ endeavouring to ascertain in what
way we may most effectively ~~for~~
the advance the cause. ~~to which we~~
~~have sought to give some influence~~
which we have espoused -

I am directed to say that any
communication from you will
be ~~most~~ ^{very} gratifying to our soc-
ety - & any hint which your ~~rich~~
experience may suggest would be
most valuable to us - It would give
us pleasure to receive from you a
copy of your constitution of the
Essex County slave branch B.L.O.C. -

I am In Behalf of the B.L.O.C. -

Cheriton

Essex Co. H. B. B. B.